

## Homeland Security Directorate Legislative Briefing

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## Presentation Overview

- Background and Responsibilities
- Interoperable Communications
- Regionalization
- Exercises
- Local Issues: St. Clair County Border

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## Background and Responsibilities

*Homeland Security Advisor and  
Assistant Adjutant General for  
Homeland Security*

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## Executive Order 2003-6

- Created position of Homeland Security Advisor to the Governor
- Created position of Assistant Adjutant General for Homeland Security in the Michigan National Guard
- Mission is to act as the Governor's liaison with all state, provincial, local, tribal, and federal agencies, and private entities to develop and coordinate the implementation of a comprehensive state strategy to secure the State of Michigan from terrorist threats or attacks.
- Tasked to work cooperatively with the Michigan State Police and other state and local agencies to achieve state homeland security objectives.

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## A New Vision for the Armed Forces

As we prepare for the future, we must think differently and develop the kinds of forces and capabilities that can adapt quickly to new challenges and to unexpected circumstances. We must transform not only the capabilities at our disposal, but also the way we think, the way we train, the way we exercise, and the way we fight. We must transform not only our armed forces, but also the department that serves them by encouraging a culture of creativity and prudent risk-taking. We must promote an entrepreneurial approach to developing military capabilities, one that encourages people to be proactive, not reactive, and anticipates threats before they emerge.

*Donald H. Rumsfeld  
Secretary of Defense*

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## Homeland Security Mission

**Protect and secure citizens and property; deter terrorist attacks; respond to threats and hazards to Michigan. Assist civil authorities in planning and preparing for all threats and disasters, natural or manmade.**

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## Homeland Security Vision

**A full partner in the Governor's  
Homeland Security team, providing  
Michigan citizens greater security in  
their homes and communities.**

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## Homeland Security Directorate



Counter Drug Division



51st Civil Support Team



Military Support to Civil Authorities



Joint Operations Center  
*Currently staffed 24 hours a day*

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## Regionalization

*Maximizing resources by  
encouraging sharing of homeland  
security funds*

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### Regionalization of Homeland Security Funds

- Recognizes that an incident in one locality affects the entire region
- New priority for funding allocations from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- Changes will be implemented through the State Homeland Security Board
- Federal homeland security grants to be consolidated into eight regional grants
- If the regional approach is adopted, Michigan will become the first state to adopt such a plan for sharing funding nationwide

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### Communications Interoperability

*Identified by Homeland Security Advisors nationwide as the #1 priority in homeland security*

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### Communications Interoperability

"It is my goal that by 2008, every police officer, fire fighter, emergency medical professional and every first responder at every level of government will be able to talk directly to each other in any emergency."

*Governor Granholm  
2003 State of the State address*

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## Communications Interoperability

- Major issues of 800MHz MPSCS system
  - use of towers by non members, coupled with "patch" solution
  - funding for the system both short and long term
  - Supporting capability for Integrated Voice and Data

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## Communications Interoperability

- Executive Order 2005-2 moved responsibility for MPSCS into DIT
- Executive Order 2005-8 established Michigan Public Safety Communications System Advisory Board to direct policy
- Federal legislation is pending to strengthen funding specific to first responder interoperability

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## Exercises

*A critical component of Michigan's  
homeland security efforts*

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### Exercises Week of 09 May 2005

- Operation Bridge Out 10 May 2005
- Operation Rogue Tanker 10 May 2005
  - USCG Sponsored
- Operation Perfect Game 11 May 2005
  - Detroit / FBI Sponsored
- Operation Vigilant State 12 May 2005
  - MING Sponsored
- MI NG JOC (24/7 operation) provided C2 for all exercises

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### Operation Bridge Out Sault Ste Marie, MI 10 May 05

Mitigate effects of International Bridge  
Attack, U.S./Canada

- MIARNG EN Unit, construct Ribbon Bridge
- Lead U.S. Coast Guard
- DHS
- US and Canadian Customs
- Ontario Provincial Police
- Canadian Cree Indians (Chief wants to be the first across the bridge)

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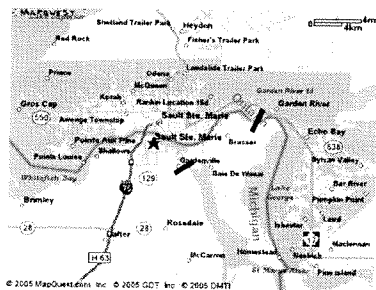
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### Operation Bridge Out Location




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**Operation Perfect Game**  
**Detroit, MI**  
**11 May 05**

CBRNE / mass casualty:  
 Detroit Comerica Park  
 (All-Star Game)

- Lead, City of Detroit HLS
- MI NG 51<sup>st</sup> CST
- FEMA
- FBI
- Wayne
- Washtenaw, Monroe  
 County Emergency Mgmt




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**Operation Vigilant State**  
**Detroit Metro Airport**  
**12 May 05**

MANPADS exercise:

- MI NG Sponsored
- "Joint" exercise
  - Quick Reaction Force-  
 210th MP Bn
  - MI ANG 110<sup>th</sup> FW
  - TSA, Coast Guard, MSP,  
 Airport Auth, Detroit & Wayne  
 County Emergency Mgmt,  
 local police & Fire.




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**Exercise Purpose and Objectives**

- Validate the Regional and Statewide UASI Response Plan
- Validate the TSA MANPAD Response Plan
- Test and improve both the local and state's capacity to respond to, and recovery from, terrorist attacks in accordance with local, state, and federal protocols
- Synchronize the exercise with local, state, and national goals and objectives
- Improve coordination and cooperation during terrorist incident response
- Assess and strengthen government, non-government, and private sector partnerships to prevent, respond, and recover from terrorist incidents

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### Exercise Goals

- Exercise the TSA MANPADS mitigation plan
- Exercise communication links, including air and ground units
- Execute regional mutual aid system
- Execute military support to civil authorities
- Notification, synchronization, and deployment of local law enforcement and military assets
- Establish Emergency Operating Centers and communication links between them
- Establish the Unified Incident Command Management System

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### Participating Agencies

- Wayne County Airport Authority
- TSA
- Wayne County Sheriff
- MSP
- DMVA Assets
- Romulus Police and Romulus Fire
- Huron Metro-Park Police
- FBI
- Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- Wayne County Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security
- Detroit Emergency Management
- FAA
- Federal Air Marshal Service
- Detroit Police Department
- ATF
- Romulus Emergency Management

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### Local Issues: St. Clair County Border

*Substantial progress being made  
at this critically important  
international border crossing*

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## St. Clair County Border

### Vital Statistics for St. Clair County

- Blue Water Bridge: 1.6 million trucks/yr. Over 37.5 million pounds of hazardous waste per day.
- St Clair River: 22,000 vessels pass annually.
- Rail tunnel: 52 trains/day. 1,500 rail cars/day.
- Ferries at Algonac and Marine City
- 30 pipelines that cross under St. Clair River border. Many are energy critical.
- Lake Huron water plant serves 1.1 million customers.
- 4 power plants which supply 45% of DTE's capacity. 4 plants provide natural gas to 1.3 million customers.
- St. Clair River has 120 miles of liquid border with Canada. Many spots as little as 300 yards across.

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## St. Clair County Border

- Strong regional partnerships in place among local agencies
  - St. Clair County Emergency Management
  - Michigan State Police 2<sup>nd</sup> District
  - Macomb County Sheriff's Office Marine Division
  - US Coast Guard
- A model for cooperative partnerships statewide

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## Questions?

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